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SUBJECT: ICC: ITALY ON BILATERAL AGREEMENT TO PROTECT U.S. CITIZENS FROM THE ICC

REF: SECSTATE 135262

CLASSIFIED BY: CDA THOMAS COUNTRYMAN FOR REASONS 1.5 (B) AND (D) CONFIDENTIAL

[1](#)1. (C) SUMMARY: WHILE MINDFUL THAT THE U.S. FACES A GREATER RISK OF ALLEGATIONS UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT (ICC) THAN DO OTHER STP
[1](#)2. (C) ON JULY 19, CDA AND POLOFF DELIVERED REF DEMARCHE SEPARATELY TO GIANCARLO ARAGONA, THE MFA'S POLITICAL DIRECTOR, AND TO PAOLO DIONISI,
[1](#)3. (C) THE CDA COUNTERED THAT OUR DESIRE TO HAVE A BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GOI UNDER ARTICLE 98 OF THE ROME STATUTE IS NOT MEANT TO UNDEF
[1](#)4. (C) IN AN EARLIER CONVERSATION AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, DIONISI ALSO PROMISED THAT THE GOI WOULD STUDY THE USG REQUEST CAREFULLY. HE
[1](#)5. (U) ON JULY 17, AT THE CEREMONY FOR THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE ICC STATUTE AT FAO HEADQUARTERS IN ROME, BERLUSCONI DESCRI
[1](#)5. (C) COMMENT: EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW UP WITH BOTH MFA AND THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AS A PRIORITY ISSUE. ALTHOUGH ARAGONA DID NOT MENTION IT,
COUNTRYMAN